

MINUTES
January 12, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, School District #14, Toole County, Montana, was held in the Board Room of the Administrative Offices at 1010 Oilfield Avenue. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Elda Nichols.

Members present were: Elda Nichols, Barb Mercer, Greg Matteson, Joe Sisk, and Mark Grotbo. Member(s) absent: Michelle Edwards, and Brian Aklestad. The superintendent and clerk were present throughout the entire proceedings. Visitors present were Joe Rapkoch, Shawn Clark, Sanna Clark, Diana Sonju, Carla McNamara, Philip Kleinsasser, Peter Hofer, George G. Waldner, and Charlotte Hanson.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2009, regular meeting.
Motion: Greg Matteson Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 30, 2009, special meeting.
Motion: Mark Grotbo Second: Joe Sisk - passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comment on any Public Matter
None

Community Positive Comment on District Operations

Mr. Genger congratulated Brice Grotbo and Scott Kelleher on receiving congressional nominations to military academies. Mark Grotbo said that the Speech & Drama did a nice job.

REPORTS

Elementary Principal's Report

Mr. Rapkoch reported that the kickoff for the Olweus Bullying Program was a success. He said that Larry Bonderud, Kevin Gates, and Mike Lamey spoke to the students. The students really banded together for the kickoff. Donna Sparks did a nice job organizing the kickoff and it was a lot of fun. He said that due to cold weather only three parents showed up for the bullying parent meeting.

High School Principal's Report

Mr. Clark said that the radio show has started and they will try to run a spot every week. The radio spots are three minutes long. The first week was Dave Madison and Donna Sparks with information on the bullying program. Each week they will try to have two students and at least one teacher. He urged the board members and the public to email Mr. Genger or himself if they have ideas/topics they would like to see on the radio spot. Mark Grotbo asked Mr. Clark if there will be a block schedule next year and Mr. Clark replied that there would be and that the block schedule is working well. Mr. Clark is working on a new program called "School Inside of a School" to help the 4th through 7th grade students who are struggling. This program would be run by the present elementary and high school teachers. He is working on finding space in one of the schools. Mr. Clark said that Mike White and Jane Shaffer will come speak to the board at the February board meeting to update them on the Alternative Ed School. Mark Grotbo asked Mr. Clark if he is still working on getting a Life Skills class started. Mr. Clark replied that he needs to get a model in place and that he hoped to offer the class for the 2010-2011 school year. Barb Mercer asked Mr. Clark if the lunch meeting of advisor/advisee is working. Mr. Clark replied that

it is working well, especially for the clubs so they don't have to meet after school or at night. Elda Nichols asked Mr. Clark if Kayla is still updating the school website and Mr. Clark replied that she is.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Genger said that the gas valve heads on the boiler are disintegrating. He has called the engineers to look into this problem. The gas valves are under warranty. Mr. Genger said that 2nd Grade teacher Mallory Stinger will be resigning at the end of the school year. She has recently married and will be moving to Texas. Audie Bancroft has also resigned as head cook but will work until January 27th. Mr. Genger thanked Gene Schilling for stepping up and driving bus when we were in need of a driver.

INFORMATION ITEMS

None

PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Recommendation to hire:

A motion was made to hire the following:

Bus Route Driver: Wade Welker

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Greg Matteson - passed unanimously.

Play Director: Molly Buyske

Asst Play Director: Pru Lybeck

Motion: Mark Grotbo

Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

A break was taken at 8:02 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Bills and Student Activity Accounts

A motion was made to approve the claims approval list and the monthly listing of Student Activities accounts as presented and added. The approved warrants were numbered 61326 through 61406. The student activity checks for this month were numbered 9926-9984. The claims approval list may be referenced in the claims approval file in the administration office and the Student Activities accounts may be referenced in the Student Activities file in the administration office.

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report

There were no warrants/checks to be voided and no student attendance agreements or individual transportation contracts.

Hearing on Student Reinstatement

The meeting was closed in accordance with Montana Law 2-3-203(3) at 8:13 p.m. for the superintendent's evaluation.

The meeting was reopened at 8:35 p.m.

A motion was made to reinstate Student A to full student status.

Motion: Greg Matteson

Second: Barb Mercer - passed unanimously.

Superintendent's Evaluation

The meeting was closed in accordance with Montana Law 2-3-203(3) at 8:36 p.m. for the superintendent's evaluation.

The meeting was reopened at 9:50 p.m.

A motion was made to extend the offer to hire Matt Genger. He may continue employment as superintendent for the 2010/2011 school year.

Motion: Mark Grotbo

Second: Barb Mercer – passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Board Room, District Administration Office, 1010 Oilfield Avenue, Shelby, Montana

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:52 p.m.

Motion: Joe Sisk

Second: Greg Matteson – passed unanimously.

BUSINESS MANAGER/CLERK

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD